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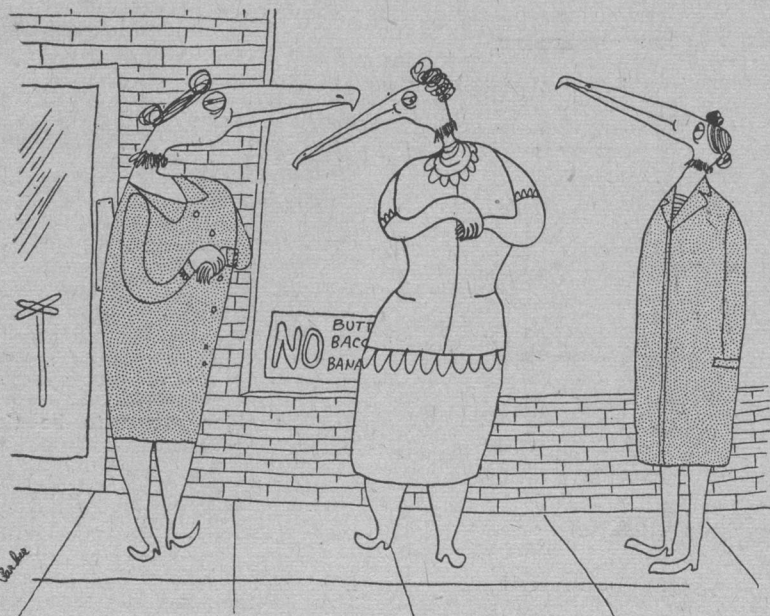
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Five Cents

## Greenbelt At The Crossroads



"What are you hanging around for?"

## V-Day Committee Contributes \$900 Toward New Youth Center and Park

The Victory Day Committee voted Monday night to contribute its fund of approximately \$900 toward a memorial park and youth center building, provided 33 other town groups and professional men raise and contribute appropriate amounts.

It is estimated that approximately \$10,000 will be needed to move and re-build the war surplus structure recently acquired by the Youth Advisory Council, erect the building, and landscape the park. A goal of \$5,100 including their own \$900 contribution is proposed by the Victory Day Committee to be raised from town groups. The raising of the remainder will be left to the Youth Center Ways and Means Committee, headed by Jack Fruchtman.

If the proposal is found acceptable, Allen Morrison, Victory Day Committee Chairman, said that it would be best if half the subscription could be paid in by June 1 and the balance by July 1. Little difficulty is anticipated in securing sizable amounts for the Town (in the form of labor), the Legion or the Defense Council, as the Victory Day Committee is made up of six former or present council members, and six Legion representatives, and the Town has final jurisdiction over the Defense Council's funds. The contribution from the Good Humor wagon is likewise assured, as an unsolicited contribution is received from the ice cream company each year, Mr. Morrison said.

The bulletin board will be erected at the center, if the plan is approved by the town organizations, which will list the names of organizations, the amounts agreed to and the amounts paid in. Jack Fruchtman has agreed to maintain this board.

The list of proposed contributors follows: Greenbelt Consumer Services, Credit Union, Cooperator, Catholic Church, Holy Name Society, Community Church, Community Sunday School, Women's Guild, Latter Day Saints, Methodist Church, Hebrew Congregation, B'nai B'rith, Lutheran Church, American Legion, Legion Auxiliary, Athletic Club, Band, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Citizens' Association, Defense Council, both P-TA's, Woman's Club, Health Association, Town (in the form of labor), Dr. Wodak, Dr. Eisner, Dr. McCarl, the Good Humor Company, American Veterans Committee, Greenbelt Improvement Association, Housewives Club, and approximately 200 parents.

A committee consisting of Jack Martone, Jr., Drop-Inn President; Ben Rosenzweig, Frank Lastner, Mayor George Bauer, and Harry Rhodes were scheduled to meet to determine the site of the youth center.

## Bauer Okays Survey on Housing

Mayor George F. Bauer agreed last week to appoint a five-man committee to study possibilities of local ownership of Greenbelt, subject to the Council's approval next Monday night. In a joint meeting of the Town Council and the Executive and Housing Committees of the Citizens Association, held March 28 in the council rooms, Mayor Bauer agreed to recommend the committee's appointment after being petitioned by the Citizens Association to take action on recommendations submitted to the Council in November of 1945.

The official committee, it was declared, would consider the basic problem of Federal-Town relationship, and would launch into a detailed study of ways of protecting the community and interests of its residents in the event of a contemplated sale of Greenbelt by the Federal Government.

David Granahan, president of the Citizens Association, pointed out that "As long as the Federal Government owns all of the real estate and improvements thereon, including our homes, so long will the problem of Federal versus Town control plague us. Recent budget difficulties demonstrate that."

During the discussion of the problem, Mayor Bauer stated that he was "not against the plan at all for the people buying the town." However, the group as a whole decided against supporting any plan of ownership until the fact-finding committee had completed its investigation and reported to the Council and the community.

## 8 Buyers Named By Landlord In Case of Sale

(First in a series of articles dealing with questions raised by the Citizens Association housing survey.)

Starting points for the recent Citizens Association housing study were statements made by Federal Public Housing Authority officials that the government plans eventually to step out of the housing field, and FPHA's release No. 243 on "disposal of permanent war housing." FPHA has made it clear that the Greenbelt community will be considered as a whole in the event of its sale, and the agency has also stated that it will be glad to meet with any duly representative body of citizens trying to find the best arrangement for protection of the residents' interests.

With the thought that Greenbelt residents should be agreed on a plan of action in case the landlord decides to shift his responsibility to another agency, rather than be caught aghast and flatfooted as everyone was last summer at the time of the "Greenbelt sale" scare, the Citizens Association last fall recommended the election of a fact-finding body to clarify the situation to townfolk. The housing committee appointed by the Association went as far as it could with its own investigation, but was hampered when it tried to get figures on operating costs. These figures would be made available to an "official" body of elected citizens, FPHA indicated.

The eight categories of possible purchasers outlined in FPHA's statement of policy on its disposal of permanent war housing and studied by the citizens' committee in some detail are: 1. another Federal agency; 2. a local housing authority; 3. a state or local government agency; 4. the residents as a group; 5. the residents as individuals; 6. prospective residents; 7. investors, for rental; 8. investors, for resale.

These will be taken up in more detail in a series of articles to follow.

## Housewives Sign Pledges This Week To Make Available Food Go Around



## String Up Fences In Season—Gobbel

Community Manager Gobbel told the Cooperator this week that the Administration has never opposed the use of string fences in the defense sections "during the growing season."

Gobbel interpreted substitute police officer Downs' command to Albert Alsleben (mentioned in last week's Cooperator) as a "suggestion" made in an endeavor to alleviate an unfortunate neighborhood quarrel.

## Woman's Club Holds Business Meeting

The Woman's Club will hold its annual business meeting, Thursday, April 11, at 8:15 p. m., at the home of Mrs. S. Hartford Downs, 2-T Gardenway. It is important that all members make an effort to attend as a report of all business action during the year and other activities will be made. Co-hostesses are Mrs. Gordon Finlay and Mrs. Phillips Taylor.

## Young Folks Dance Saturday, April 13

The next Young Peoples dance will be held on Saturday, April 13, at the Greenbelt Elementary School Auditorium from 8 to 11 p. m. A special floor show and music by a popular orchestra are offered, and refreshments will be sold. The admission charge is 25c. All young people are invited, from 7th grade through high school and beyond. Grown-ups may attend and dance after the floor show.

## Afternoon Holiday

The elementary school principals wish to announce that all groups except kindergarten in both the Center and North End Schools will be dismissed at one o'clock on Thursday, April 11. At that time the teachers will attend the spring meeting of the Prince Georges County Teachers Association, where Dr. B. H. Jarman of George Washington University will speak on "Professionalizing Teaching."

## Red Cross Drive Is Huge Success

Mrs. Joseph L. Rogers reports that Greenbelt subscribed 175% to the Red Cross to make a total of \$1,432.04. Leading in the drive were "D" block, Mrs. Miles Bonnar, with \$142.70; Parkway, Mrs. George Clark, \$113.35; "B" block, Mrs. Edward C. Kaighn, \$102.40. The homes in 60 and 62 Crescent Road reported 100% for the fourth consecutive year. The theater, under Jack Fruchtman, collected \$317.71 during the week's drive, while the schools turned in a total of \$90.03.

Mrs. Rogers wishes to thank all of those workers and contributors who helped put the campaign over so successfully, remarking, "Going over the quota \$632.04 is proof that Greenbelt, a cooperative community, has the welfare of the world at heart. The Red Cross is an international organization which asks no question of color or creed."

Neighborhood canvassers representing 11 local organizations are busy this week signing up housewives in support of the program of saving wheats, fats and oils sponsored by the Greenbelt Food Conservation Committee. Upon signing a conservation pledge, the housewives are given "kitchen cards" with substitution suggestions and window stickers.

Greenbelters first read of the local campaign in last Friday's Cooperator, then saw it featured in a double column spread on the first page of Saturday's "Post." The window sticker and kitchen card were also reproduced. A further summary of the Greenbelt program was contained in a Post story the following day which outlined the plans of the Washington Food Conservation Committee.

The following organizations have taken the responsibility of covering the town: American Veterans Committee, A block; Hebrew Congregation, B block; UFWA Auxiliary and B'nai B'rith, C block; Housewives Club, D block; Our Lady of Sorrows Sodality, E block; American Legion, F block; American Legion Auxiliary, G block; High School PTA, H block; Elementary PTA, J block; Community Church Guild, K block; Society of Friends, Woodland Way and Park-belt.

## Scratch, Scratch

Official sanction for using flower beds for vegetables was secured this week from Angus MacGregor, superintendent of landscaping and grounds, following a renewed interest on the part of Greenbelters in growing their own.

Mr. MacGregor, however, did not encourage plowing up back yards for a large planting.

## High School PTA

The regular meeting of the High School PTA will be held Tuesday, April 9 at 8 p. m. in the High School Auditorium. "What Youth Expects of Adults" will be the subject of the meeting which will be led by high school students Mary Jo Holland and Teddy Fox.

## 108 Local Limbs To Display Nylons

Nylons—54 pairs of them—were sold Saturday in the variety store while about 125 men, women, and children shivered in the cold waiting their turn. News of the nylons first hit the public at 1:30 p. m. when a sign announcing the sale to be held at 2:30 p. m. was pasted in the store window.

At 1:45 only seven persons were in line outside the store, but 15 minutes later at least 75 queued up. The line of nylon seekers was orderly and in good humor. No windows were broken; no pushing was seen; no fights started, but accusations were heard that some wives had their husbands in line too.

Director of Public Safety George Panagoulis was present to preserve order.

## Ban Brought On By Butterfingers

The center foodstore, following the week-old lead established by the northend market, established Friday evening a "no butter for children unless engaged in a legitimate family errand" rule. Numerous complaints have been received by the management that several children from the same family were raiding the local butter supplies several times daily, which led to the prohibition. If the child brings a note from home or fills up a basket with a regular family order he is entitled to his family's share of butter, it was stated this week. Several complaints were received when the new rule went into effect but only one sustained once the circumstances were explained to the aggrieved parties.



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## Get Together, Boys!

When is a lease violation not a lease violation?

According to the lease forms issued by the Federal Public Housing Authority, landlord of the 1800 units tenanted by Greenbelt's residents, a violation exists only when and where the Government chooses to take notice of it. The leases provide a number of conditions under which the tenants shall "hire the premises," including payment of rent, conforming to the conditions of occupancy (enumerated on the front and back of the printed lease form) and agreeing to care for all grass and so forth on the premises, while refraining from altering or changing in any way the exterior or interior. The tenant also agrees to observe not only the specific rules and regulations listed on the form, but also "such other rules and regulations as may from time to time be made by the Government."

However—and this is the catch—the lease also provides that the "failure of the Government to insist in any one or more instances upon a strict performance of any of the . . . conditions of this lease . . . shall not be construed as a waiver" of such a condition, or in other words just because one tenant gets away with a lease violation on one occasion is no indication that he or anyone else cannot be called to account for the same violation at another date.

A Greenbelt Manual issued to defense householders, published way back when Roy Braden and the Farm Security Administration were running the town, states (on page 9, and in no uncertain terms) that "Fences of any kind are prohibited, except small fences for the protection of children under three years of age." This may be as dead a duck as the subsequent offer on the same page to plow and fertilize garden plots for a dollar apiece; but some definite and authoritative statement ought to be made and then carried out. If string fences are permitted "in the growing season," everybody should be permitted to have one if he so desires, and one tenant should not be denied the privilege when his neighbor is taking advantage of it. It is difficult enough to keep up with lease regulations which are set forth in black and white, without worrying about "such other rules" as the town office may or may not choose to enforce. The vagueness of the official policy encourages irregularities, and breeds resentments and feuds which the landlord has no moral right to ignore. What is one tenant's meat may be another's poison, especially if there is the taint of injustice or preferential treatment about it. How's for getting together with yourself on what the tenants can expect from you, Uncle Landlord?

## Just Wondering . . .

Whatever became of that "fourteen-day break" between the Hyattsville Theater and the local cinema? It was an inexpressible thrill to see the Greenbelt marquee advertising Spellbound at the same time exactly as it was being shown at the Village. Note: it hasn't been shown at Hyattsville at all so far.

Whee!

## 175 Parents Study School Problems

One hundred and seventy-five parents and teachers have signed up to attend study groups sponsored by the P-TA. All meetings will be held this month, and several groups got under way this week at the center school. All meetings are set for 8 p. m. Those attending are reminded to bring questions and problems for discussion. The following groups are scheduled:

"County Management of Public Education," Glenmore Wilbur, chairman, will meet Wednesdays, April 10 and 17. "Recreation," Mrs. Daniel Purnell, leader, will meet Tuesday, April 9, 16 and 23.

These groups will meet Tuesday evenings, April 9 and 16: "Child Health," Mrs. Lowen Matheny, leader, room 223. "Understanding Other Races and Nationalities," and "The Springfield Plan," Mrs. Charles East, leader, room 201. "School Curriculum and Methods," Mrs. Catherine Reed, leader, room 123. "Family Relationships," Mrs. Wells Harrington, leader, room 224. "The Pre-School Child" and "Relationship of Home and School," Mrs. Edgar Sovik, leader, room 125.

## White Elephants Sponsored By PTA

Two "White Elephant Sales" are scheduled for this month, sponsored by the PTA. Proceeds will go toward purchase of a typewriter for the center school and a record player or phonograph for the north end school.

The sale at the center school will be held Wednesday, April 10, at 9:30 a. m. Children are asked to bring articles to their rooms on Monday and Tuesday.

The following week, Wednesday, April 17, a similar sale will be held at the north end school, also at 9:30 a. m. Again, children are asked to bring their contributions on Monday and Tuesday, the week of the sale.

Mrs. Clifford Woodward is chairman of the committee in charge, and working with her are Mrs. William Ruppert, Mrs. Archie Foggatt and Mrs. Edward Schurr.

## Name, Please

Will the lady who wrote the letter about children's toys please identify herself to the editor, 4581? The Cooperator uses pseudonyms if the writer requests it, but the writer must be known.

## OUR NEIGHBORS

Cadet Bob Mosley has returned to Massanutten Military Academy at Woodstock, Virginia after spending the spring vacation with his mother, Mrs. Georgia Mae Mosley, 15-C Parkway Road.

Miss Ruby Collier, teacher at the North End School, is ill in the Leland Memorial Hospital at Riverdale.

Bart Finn, S 1/c is in the U. S. Naval Hospital, Ward 31, Astoria, Oregon and would be glad to hear from his Greenbelt friends.

Mrs. Mary Raschack, 9-R Research Road, left Tuesday for New York to spend two weeks with her husband before his next assignment.

Pvt. William H. Goodman was home last weekend on his last leave before going overseas.

Whitner W. Smith, Jr. left Greenbelt Monday, April 1, for Porter Military Academy, Charleston, S. C., after spending 9 days with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith, 11-K Laurel Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Holmes and daughter Carol have left for Texas for a three-week vacation.

Glenn E. Kitchin of 7-A Parkway and formerly of the Navy, was honored by a welcome home and birthday party Sunday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Watson of Riverdale. Thirty-six friends enjoyed an evening of dancing, cards and a buffet supper.

Phyllis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Kirkham, 3-D Laurel Hill, celebrated her fourth birthday with a party last Saturday. The Kirkhams also had weekend guests, Mrs. Kirkham's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Pearsall of North Arlington, N. J.

Mrs. Hans Wodak spent the weekend in Greenbelt with Dr. Wodak. Mrs. Wodak, who is also Dr. Wodak, practices dentistry in New York.

The newly organized sewing club on Laurel Hill Road met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Thomas Green with ten members present. The next meeting will be April 15, at the home of Mrs. Irving Levine.

A surprise birthday party was tendered to Mrs. Maxine Fern by Mrs. Daniel Neff. Among those present were: Mrs. Markeley, Mr. Mouseley, Miss Dorothy Neff, Miss Janet Neff, and Laurence Fern.

Kathie Singer of 10-K Plateau Place had a tonsillectomy last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Milton Clinedinst announce the birth of young G. M. Jr., March 19 at the Leland Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Teresa Davis of 4-N Laurel Hill Road left town recently to join her husband in Pensacola, Florida.

Mary Frances Wiser of 42-C Crescent has welcomed a new baby sister born April 1 at Sibley Hospital. The baby, who tipped the scales at 8 pounds, 12 ounces, and the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wiser, are fine.

Bruce Bowman, of 14-Z-3 Laurel Hill, a new member of the GCS Auditing Committee, began work this week as Director of Education and Personnel for Rochdale Co-operative in Washington, D. C. Bruce is the son of Leroy Bowman of New York City, who is currently the President of the Board of Directors of Eastern Cooperative League. Bruce has been recently discharged from the Navy.

CRM Robert Ash was expected to arrive in Honolulu last Tuesday, where Mrs. Ash and their four children hope to join him eventually. The Ashes came to Greenbelt from Puerto Rico.

Mrs. D. J. Neff wishes to announce that her crocuses were up "before the Bishop's in Baltimore."

Yessiree, Mrs. Pat Long was holding out on us. She's the fourth Greenbelter discovered to date whose birthday is March 17.

As of Monday, Chief Fiscal Officer J. W. Rabbitt was back in the saddle, the Administration Office announced this week. Rabbitt enlisted in the Navy March 13, 1943.

## Cancer Fund Drive

April has been proclaimed as cancer control month throughout the nation by President Truman, and the local drive to collect funds to bring the disease under control is being conducted by the Woman's Club under Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, welfare department chairman. The money is used for research on the causes of cancer and to help those who already have the disease, while the educational campaign stresses the necessity of early diagnosis.

## Community Church

The public is cordially invited to hear the Rev. Eric T. Braund speak on "New Directions," Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The music will be in charge of Thomas B. Ritchie, director of the choir, accompanied by Mrs. Daniel J. Neff at the organ. Mrs. Frederick D. Birchard will be in the vestibule to welcome the children in the nursery while they worship whose parents desire to leave them in the main auditorium.

Church School will meet at 9:30 Sunday morning. The Men's Bible Class, taught by James T. Gobbel, town manager, had an attendance of over sixty men last Sunday morning.

The Board of Deacons and Deaconesses will meet Sunday night at 8 o'clock in the Pastor's study, 8-B Parkway.

## Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt; Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Religious instruction for children is held every Tuesday at 3:30 p. m., 10-B Parkway.

## Lutheran Church

Everyone is cordially invited to attend a public demonstration which will consist of some 500 questions asked by Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow of his Greenbelt confirmation class at the regular church service in the elementary school home economics room at 12:30 p. m. Sixteen confirmands will take part in the review of two-year study of the catechism.

Sunday school and adult Bible class met promptly at 11:45 a. m. A new supply of literature will be distributed to the five classes.

Thursday evening, April 11, in room 224, Rev. E. E. Pieplow will deliver the sixth Lenten Service entitled, "The Voice of the Centurion."

## Methodists Hold Communion Sunday

Communion Service will be conducted by Rev. Chester Craig, Sunday, April 7, at 8 p. m., in the Home Economics Room of the elementary school.

Mid-week prayer service will be held Thursday, April 11, at 8 p. m. at the Featherby home, 19-A Ridge Road.

Sunday School is at 10 a. m. in the Watson home, 16-K Ridge Road. A very cordial welcome is extended to all to attend these meetings.

## Store Painted

Northend Store customers were pleasantly surprised to find their store painted this past week. The work was done under the supervision of Henry Meyer, GCS employee in charge of display and maintenance.

Patronize Your Neighborhood Store

## SUGGESTED READING

AVAILABLE AT THE TOBACCO STORE FREE LIBRARY

### The Cooperative Way

—JAMES P. WARBASSE

A new book describing an alternative to dictatorships or another world war. The author is founder and president emeritus of the Cooperative League.

### Masters of Their Own Destiny

—M. M. COADY

This book tells the story of the now famous Canadian adult education movement that has done so much to bring economic light into dark places.

### Greenbelt Consumer Services

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## Church of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints

General conference time is with us again and it is being held in Salt Lake City on April 5, 6 and 7. From 10 to 10:30 a. m. Sunday, April 7, the Columbia Broadcasting System is broadcasting a portion of the conference on the "Church of the Air" program. For those who wish to hear the program, the Branch presidency has arranged to have a radio in the Social Room of the Elementary School. Priesthood Meeting will be held at 9:30 as usual and will be a business meeting. Following the broadcast, Sunday School will convene at 10:30 a. m. Elder John A. Widtsoe is scheduled to deliver an address on the program.

It is work and business night at Relief Society Wednesday, at 12-H Plateau Place.

## Parents Board Votes New Age Policy

The Parents Board of Greenbelt's Cooperative Nursery School voted unanimously at its last meeting to change the age requirements for entrance into its two classes. Membership for the year starting in October will be composed of four-year-olds, the younger group of children to be those who turn four between July 1 and December 31, the older group to be those whose fourth birthdays fall between January 1 and June 30. Interested parents may get information from Mrs. Donald Romer, 6657 and Mrs. Thomas Callanan, 4878.

The nursery school routine has been varied this spring by excursions to the lake, the library and the Berwyn railroad station.

## Store Inventories

The quarterly inventory was taken in GCS stores last weekend, necessitating Sunday work for employees in many of the stores.

New members of the GCS auditing committee are Henry R. Walter and Bruce Bowman, replacing Glendon Allred and L. Preston Blatter, who resigned. The third member of the committee is Delbert Mesner.

## GREENBELT Theatre Program

FRI., SAT. APRIL 5-6  
Robert Walker - Keenan Wynn

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Fri. 7 and 9. Sat. Cont. 1.  
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SUN., MON. APRIL 7-8  
Robert Cummings  
Elizabeth Scott

You Came Along  
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9:45. Monday 7:27 and 9:37

TUES., WED. APRIL 9-10  
Double Feature  
Robert Donat - Deborah Kerr

Vacation From Marriage  
Phyllis Thaxter  
Edmund Gwenn  
Bewitched  
7 and 8:30

THURS., FRI. APRIL 11-12  
Peggy Ann Garner  
Ailyn Joslyn

Junior Miss  
7 and 9

SATURDAY APRIL 13  
One Day Only  
Charles Laughton  
Randolph Scott

Captain Kidd

Also two cartoons and sports reel  
Cont. 1. Last complete show 9



## PLAY BALL

By LES SANDERS

These fine days of early spring are bringing forth an unbounding amount of outdoor sport lovers. Baseball, of course, is in the air with a great crowd out for the Shamrocks' first real practice. It was amazing to see Boggs throwing in practically midseason form as he laid them in for the boys in practice. Anyone talented in the sport of baseball can satisfy his desires by working out on Sunday afternoon at one o'clock with this team. From reports on the league this year, I can assure you fans that our Shamrocks will be in a well-balanced eight-team league with plenty of good games here.

For those aspirants of softball, the Athletic Club is starting preliminary plans for the formation of an intramural league with games four nights a week. This league is expected to start play about May 15 with all games being played at night. This league is for the guys who really need exercise, but interested parties may contact any of the following men: W. Goodman, J. McWilliams, H. Snyder, L. Clay, K. Maschauer.

To those golf aspirants, preliminary plans have been made for a tournament to be played on a weekday at a nearby course. Watch the board in the tobacco store for the entry form which will be posted there for two weeks. Prizes will be awarded for low gross and low net scores.

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## Softball Season

The Recreation Department announces the opening of practice for the representative men's softball team. Anyone interested in trying out for the team, report to the Softball Field in the center on Saturday, April 6, at 2 p. m. It is expected that this team will again be entered in the Prince Georges County League, and that it will play night ball. All members from last year's team are invited out to practice.

The Prince Georges County Softball League held its first meeting of the season at the Greenbelt Elementary School on Monday, April 1. Officers elected were: Ben Goldfaden, president and Earl McKeown, secretary-treasurer. Teams represented at the meeting were Greenbelt, Mt. Rainier, Landover Hills, Colmar Manor and Brentwood. The league still has openings for three more teams. It is hoped to have an eight-team league this year and play double-headers on the nights allotted to the league. The next league meeting will be held on Monday, April 15, to set up schedule and franchise fees.

## Baseball Practice

The Shamrocks held their first practice on Sunday, March 31. About 25 men were out for a two-hour batting drill. All positions are open, so everyone is urged to come out to the next practice on Sunday at 1 p. m.

Practice for boys' baseball will be held every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 3:45 p. m. All high school boys interested in playing baseball this summer are urged to come out.

An elementary school league will be formed by April 15. All boys in the fifth and sixth grades are invited to try for the four teams in the league. A meeting will be held next week to organize the teams.

## Women's Bowling

On Thursday, the 28th, the action began to level off in this league as the top spot Robots continued their terrific pace behind great games by Walker and Sansone to take two from the Deuces. Heavy shooting continued as the Victors with Bradley rolling a 316 set swept the Co-op, and the Bombers snared all three from the Atomics as that handicap was disastrous. The remainder of games were a two and one split as the Raiders grabbed two from the Triflers; the Anchors with Sheaffer having a 117 game coupled with a 332 set by Timmons to nab 2 from the Widgets, despite games of 118 by Schmittker and 112 by Bushman; the Commandos dropped one to the Allies; the Pioneers edged out the odd one from the Rioters and the G.I.'s with Holmes shooting a 128 game topped the Zombies.

## Bingo Prizes Won At Drop-Inn Dance

The Drop Inn held a bingo-dance at the club on Friday night, March 29. Over fifty boys and girls played in the bingo game, called by Jack Fruchtman. Jean Kasko won an Easter bunny; Carroll Shiflett a candy pecan roll, and Lauer Link a nylon hair brush. Other winners were Winnie Strickler, Joe Thompsons, Bill Sweeney, Pat Hesse, Ellen Bryant, Wilton Davies, Beverly Drass, Shirley Gray, Les Haunman, J. McCollom, Betty Mae Gussio, Lois Jackson and Jimmy Williams.

Music was provided for dancing, starting at 9:30 and lasting till 11:30. About 100 people were on hand for the dancing. Refreshments were in charge of Mr. Hawkins and Mrs. Johnson, who donated their time.

On the Drop Inn committee in charge of the occasion were John Martone, Dick Trast, Tom Ryan, Pauline St. Martin, Donna Nyhoff, Idella Eubanks, Joanne Therrell, and Joanne Rogers. Parents who helped at the dance were Mr. and Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Benefiel, Mr. and Mrs. Downs, and Mr. and Mrs. Sansone.

## Men's Bowling

The lines are tightening up as the battling is nearing an end with the Rummys losing all three to that fast charging Southeast Glass with a great set of 1683. Taking advantage of the situation the Legionnaires grabbed two from the Aces as Benden tossed a 331 set and Lastner had a 356 set. The Greenhorns, with Mooney having a 124 game, smothered the Seahawks; the Redskins with great sets of 360 by Anestad and 355 by Isaacs, took two from the Eagles despite Sanders' 127 game; the Defenders dropped two to the Em-anon; the Spoilers, even with Goodman's 335 set, lost to the Scorpions as Ramsdell came up with a 334 set; the Commandos dropped two very tough games to the Piddlers even though Drass shot a 352 set; the Pickups snared a pair from the Co-op, as MacEwen hit his stride with a 362 set.

## Teachers To Meet Here

More than 700 teachers will attend a meeting of the County Teachers' Association on April 11 at Hyattsville Theatre. The principal speaker will be Dr. B. H. Jarman, of George Washington University, whose topic will be "Professionalizing Teaching." Superintendent Shugart will also speak.

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## Drop Inners Beat Athletic Club, Take Table Tennis Tourney 4-3

The five-man team of the Drop Inn defeated the Athletic Club Wednesday night in a sensational tourney, 4 games to 3.

Benton Havens, number 5 man for the Drop Inn, defeated Mayor George Bauer, number 5 man for the Athletic Club, by the scores of 21-13, 21-14.

In the second match Bill Prior

of the Athletic Club defeated Teddy Fox by the scores of 21-16, 21-18. This was number 4 man for each team.

The number 3 men were Frank Bauer, son of the Mayor, and Al Bowman. This game was won by Frank Bauer by the scores of 21-16, 21-16.

The number 2 men brought together the best match of the evening, when Leo Slaughter defeated Steve Comings by the scores of 19-21, 22-20, and 21-15. It took three games to decide this contest.

In the final singles match Bill Blanchard, Athletic Club star, defeated the Drop Inn champ Henry Gurney by the scores of 21-16, 21-15.

At the end of the singles, the Drop Inn led by the score of three games to two.

In the first doubles match, the Athletic Club team of Comings and Bowman was a little too strong in the closing points and defeated the Drop Inn combination 15-21, 24-22, 21-18.

At this point the bout was all tied up three games to three. The final doubles match brought together Fox and Gurney, and Blanchard and Prior. After a terrific struggle the Drop Inn pair came out on top by the scores of 21-16, 18-21, 21-19.

## Packers Win, 9-8

The Packers defeated the Tigers in the championship game of the elementary school basketball league on Monday by the score of 9-8. Buddy Belton was the outstanding player, scoring 7 points.

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## Drop Inn Skit Wins \$10 First Prize At High School PTA's Stunt Night

Last Saturday evening's stunt program staged in the auditorium by the High School PTA was definitely "teen-agers' night," and no one begrudged the Drop Inn crowd the \$10 prize awarded by the judges on the basis of clap, whistle and cheer power from the capacity audience. The second prize of \$5 went to the Girl Scouts and Brownies for their elaborately-costumed mock wedding, first stunt on the program. Patrolman Buddy Attick acted as master of ceremonies.

The Drop Inn will add the prize money to their fund for renovation of the war surplus building recently acquired from FPHA by the Youth Advisory Council, which seeks to provide teen-agers with a more adequate center. The winning skit got off to several bad starts when the loudspeaker hook-up balked repeatedly. Harvey Wharton's expert help finally got things going, and a series of specialty acts were presented against a simulated Drop-Inn background. Everyone enjoyed the jitterbugging of Patsy Sherertz and Ray Ward, just back from the service, Skit Chairman Betty Lou Waldo's take-off on "Personality," and the three Andrews Sisters act she put on with Marilyn Eshbaugh and Joanne Therrell, the latter's parody of "Trees," Patsy Sherertz's "Shoofoo Pie" and Charlotte Bryant's acrobatic dancing.

Scout and Brownie troops participating in the mock wedding were Nos. 17, 18, 35, 49, and 85 under the direction of Mrs. Lillian Hunter, Mrs. Ruth Benjamin and Mrs. Shirley Levine. The pretty auburn-haired bride was Carolyn Elder and Susan McKenzie was the groom. Margo Kennedy preached the unconventional marriage ceremony and Patsy Dunbar was the stylishly-gowned soloist who sang "O Promise Me" and "I Love You Truly." Mrs. D. J. Neff presided at the organ.

Mrs. Thelma Finlay played appropriate period music for the tableaux presented by the Woman's Club, accompanied by original readings given by Mrs. Aimee Slye. Extending in history from Pocahontas to a modern mother, all were "Women of Destiny." Youngest participant was four-month-old Harry Laird, who was held by his mother, Mrs. Virginia Freer, during the last tableau. Mrs. Grace Green and Mrs. Charlotte Hawk directed the program.

The Co-op skit "In quest of the 3 B's" won a lot of laughs as the spectators watched a batch of "typical" Greenbelt customers on a hectic shopping tour of the food-store, each hoping for "butter, bacon, or bananas." Councilman John Cain and Gay Lou Ingraham were checkers. Suzanne Dean piled her purchases around 3-year-olds Julia Marie Baldonin and Sharron Suzanne Dean, who occupied a top basket in defiance of the safety first sign. Charles Hutsler was the customer who broke the milk bottle and beat a hasty retreat, later returning to ask if there was "butter in the back room" and if the checker had "any extra tickets." Other customers included Cyrilla O'Connor, Janet Parker, Dorothy Broadbent, Edith Nicholas, Bertha Maryn, and Dayton Hull. John Brown played a clerk, as in real life.

The audience began to drift in at 7:30 and was entertained by the Greenbelt Band, the evening further being diversified by high school talent in the shape of a barbershop quartet composed of Messrs. Speicher, Adamson, Zeldin and Donahue, and a jubilee octet led by Mrs. Drutsea and accompanied by Lou Morrison. Mrs. Louise Stone and Math Professor Meyer played the zany couple who looked for each other through the audience between acts. Mrs. Violet Cook, English and Dramatics teacher, presented a monologue of an irate lady late for a train.

Free tick-fer shots planned this week for Greenbelt's school children were given only to a contingent from the North End school, since supplies were not sufficient to take care of the unexpected 150 applicants from the Center School. Shots will still be available, however, from the County Public Health office in the County Service Building in Hyattsville. Parents are urged to arrange for groups of children in the same court or neighborhood to be injected at the same time, and to make appointments for the groups at Hyattsville 5026. Both the serum and injection are free of charge.

## Pre-School Forum

Patricia Warren of Georgetown House Nursery School addressed a group of mothers Tuesday night on the subject of the Pre-School Child. Her talk covered the age level from earliest infancy to five years, with emphasis on the three-four year age group. Miss Warren illustrated her talk with drawings and paintings of nursery school pupils and a collection of books and puzzles.

This was the first in a series of forums planned by the Greenbelt branch of UFWA-CIO Auxiliary. Future discussions will be announced.

Elise East, 56-K Crescent Road, was the winner of a pair of nylons which were raffled by the auxiliary.

The meeting voted to send a telegram to the House Banking and Currency Committee urging the continuance of OPA.

## AVC Votes To Aid Food Conservation

The Greenbelt Chapter of the American Veterans Committee, at its meeting on March 25, voted 100% cooperation in the Greenbelt Food Conservation Program. All the members of this organization stated they would actively participate in the forthcoming drive. The group also went on record in favor of voluntary food rationing.

The AVC representative is working as publicity chairman for the dance sponsored by the Youth Advisory Council to aid in the construction of the new Youth Center.

At its last meeting, the American Veterans Committee accepted three new members, R. Thomason, Lieut. S. Frank, USNR, and William Miller. The next meeting will be held Monday, April 8, in the Social Room of the Elementary School. All World War II veterans are welcome to attend.

## Bus Schedule Change

Hereafter, the Greenbelt Co-op Bus will change from a 30-minute schedule to a 20-minute schedule at 6 p. m., rather than at 4 p. m., Monday through Friday.

This will make it possible to meet the Capital Transit Bus at The Center.

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## Gala Youth Dance Planned For May 4

The Ways and Means Committee of the Youth Advisory Council has scheduled a gala dance for Saturday evening, May 4. A popular Washington orchestra and an equally popular D. C. entertainer will be featured. The committee boasts that this event will top all previous dance entertainment. Prizes, including many rare and highly desired articles, will be awarded.

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## GCS Has Personnel Training Meetings

A meeting to discuss problems of personnel administration was held in the GCS office Wednesday evening, March 27. Present at the meeting were: Samuel F. Ashelman, Merton J. Trast, Helmuth Kern, and Dayton Hull; and Rochdale members, James Dunaway, David E. Scull, Sr., David H. Scull, Francis Goodell, and Carroll Robb.

Eighteen managers, department heads and other interested GCS employees attended the second in a series of evening meetings on April 1. David E. Scull, employed by the government as an expert in job training and analysis, led the evening's discussion, which was devoted to an analysis of the job of the co-op store manager. The group voted to have a continuation of the discussion on April 15.

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## L'Affaire Gobel Awaits Decision

The FPHA hearings to decide the outcome of the General Field Office's feud with Community Manager Gobel were completed last week, and a decision is being awaited from a special committee appointed by Commissioner Klutznick, it was reported this week.

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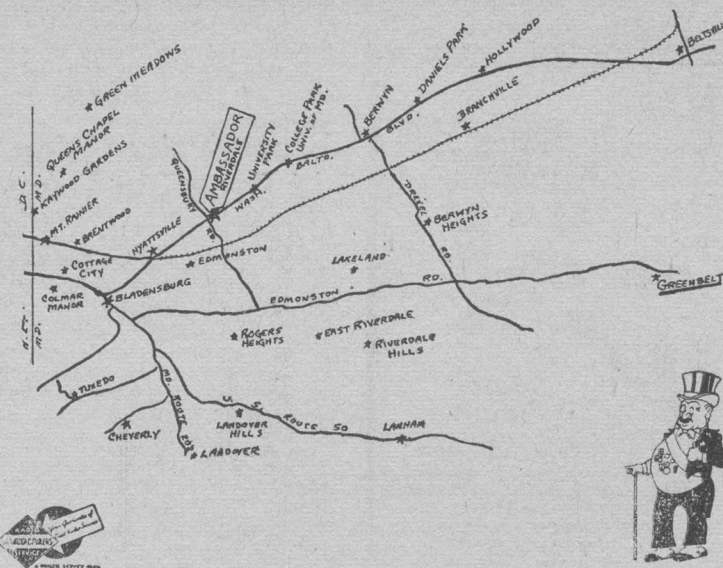
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